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MEANS FOR REMOVING UNWANTED IONS FROM AN ION TRANSPORT SYTEM

AND MASS SPECTROMETER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of January 3, 2002 to July 3, 2002.

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